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Re:

Docket No. DN2001136

Sir:

Enclosed for filing is a Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(b), including the Specification, with 20 claims, of Giorgio Agostini and Thierry Florent Edme Materne, for MASTERBATCH OF FUNCTIONALIZED CARBON BLACK AND ELASTOMER(S) AND ARTICLES WITH COMPONENT(S) THEREOF, INCLUDING TIRES.

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Respectfully submitted,

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